

COUNTY CORRESPONDENCE

KNOB LICK

Mrs. Thurman and children of Webb City spent a few days with relatives here last week.

Fine weather at this writing. Charley Tyner, who has employment in Mine La Motte, spent a few days with home folks last week.

Mrs. Everts, who has been visiting relatives here, left Thursday for her home in Webb City.

Geo. Tyner of Poplar Bluff was the guest of Charles Tyner last week.

Mrs. Ode Medley of Bismarck visited relatives here last week.

Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Inman, who has been visiting Mrs. Inman's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Acuff, left Wednesday for their home in Paragould, Ark. Mrs. Inman was formerly Miss Edna Acuff of this place.

Miss Lottie Williams of Paragould, Ark., will spend several weeks with Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Acuff and family of this place.

Ralph Howlett was a Mine La Motte visitor last week.

Ralph Hughes and Horace Mullerson were Farmington visitors Saturday.

Mrs. Asplott returned Sunday from a visit in St. Louis. She was accompanied home by her little granddaughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Bridgeman, formerly of Fredericktown, have come to our town to reside.

Milt Wood left Sunday for St. Louis where he has employment.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Rolander left Tuesday for their home in Collinsville, Ill., after a short visit with relatives here.

Mrs. Beard was a Fredericktown visitor last week.

Ada Arnold and Grace Snyder of St. Francois visited relatives here Saturday and Sunday.

Joseph Bayless is visiting his mother here this week.

Mrs. McGeorge is visiting her daughter, Mrs. E. Mullerson, of Flat River this week.

Kettie McClain returned Sunday from a visit in St. Louis.

Bessie Mullerson left Sunday for a visit with relatives in St. Louis.

Harry Gray and family of Fredericktown were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Stan Gray Sunday and Monday.

Lee Vanamberg returned Sunday from a visit with home folks in Lutesville.

Misses Long and McGuire returned Sunday from an extended visit with parents in the Lead Belt.

Miss Labree, who has been visiting relatives here, left Monday for her home in Flat River.

Ralph Hughes left Tuesday for Flat River.

CROSS ROADS

Fine weather at present, but lots of mud.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wetherington were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Lunsford Sunday.

Rev. Ketcherside preached at the school house here last Saturday night and Sunday morning and night.

Quite a lightning and thunder storm passed over this region last Friday night accompanied by a hard down-pour of rain, which did a great deal of damage, washing fences away and tearing out telephone posts.

Virgil Moore of Libertyville attended church here Sunday night.

Miss Dora Lenz is suffering from a sore hand which she sustained by sticking the prongs of a fork through her left hand.

Winford Green was a Fredericktown visitor last Saturday.

Mr. Hahn and Everett Angel of Womack were out repairing the Womack telephone line last Saturday, which was in a bad condition.

Mrs. Clarence Tucker and little son spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Umfleet.

Those from Womack, who attended church services here Sunday and Sunday night, were: Mr. and Mrs. Hill and Ollie King.

Arch Leigh lost a valuable horse last week.

Miss Dora Lenz has a Christmas cactus that is in full bloom, having thirty-three blossoms on it.

Mr. Hines of Womack was in our community last Sunday on business.

Ira Frynsheer of Mine La Motte spent last Sunday with his parents here.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Barron entertained some of their friends a few nights ago by giving a dance.

O'Dell McLarney, who has been on the sick list the past few weeks, is able to be out again.

Those who were entertained at the home of L. B. Meredith last Sunday were, Marshall, Mildred and Alonzo Barron and Mr. and Mrs. Hill.

Wm. Lenz was a business visitor in Farmington Tuesday.

Mrs. Umfleet of Mine La Motte spent Tuesday with her Mother, Mrs. Tucker.

DOE RUN

Byge Lupkey and family of Flat River were visiting Mr. and Mrs. Keltner Sunday and Monday.

Mrs. John Rosenstengel and daughter, Ollie, of St. Louis are visiting the former's mother, Mrs. Nicholas Gamble.

Mrs. P. P. Gruner and Mrs. Martin Fleming were business visitors in Farmington Tuesday.

Miss Dorothy Bourgeois of Herculaneum was visiting relatives and friends here Saturday and Sunday.

Adam Keeling was visiting home folks Saturday and Sunday. He is employed in Herculaneum.

Mrs. Wm. Ross and daughter, Millie, were visiting Mrs. Anna Ross here Saturday and Sunday.

Preston Beck of Elvins visited home folks Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Bourgeois and son, J. C., of Herculaneum, were visiting relatives here Saturday and Sunday.

Misses Frankie and Mabel Wigger of Desloge were visiting their grandmother, Mrs. Wm. Hulsey and family.

Miss Etta Rattley of Elvins was visiting home folks here Sunday.

OAK GROVE

Anut Lizzie Counts (nee Jackson) died at her home near Coffman and was buried at the Jackson cemetery January 6, 1917.

Noah Counts of near Salem is working on his new dwelling on his farm near here.

Miss Mamie Counts of near Salem is visiting relatives and friends at this place.

W. H. Gargets of near here sold a number of hogs to a stock dealer of Farmington on last Saturday and delivered them the Monday following.

Several from Oak Grove attended the box supper and entertainment at the Herman school near Weingarten last Saturday night.

Eugene Shinn, who has been on the sick list for some time, is improving fast at this writing.

Mrs. James Womack spent a few days recently with the sick of near Avon.

Mrs. John Wampler was on the sick list last Monday, but is a great deal better.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Miller and children spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Smith and family.

Noah Hammors is on the sick list.

Miss Violet Mullins of Farmington spent a few days recently with friends at Chestnut Ridge.

Mrs. Ed Bloom and children spent Sunday and Monday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Wampler and family.

Elliott Gordon of Avon was a caller at Oak Grove last Sunday afternoon.

Noah Wampler, Orvall and J. C. Harter attended prayer meeting at Chestnut Ridge last Sunday night.

The roads around Oak Grove are pretty muddy.

Miss Elsie Silvey, who is going to school in Farmington, spent Saturday and Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jodie Silvey, of near Chestnut Ridge.

Roy Wampler spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Bloom of near Chestnut Ridge.

Joseph Harter, who was quite ill last week, is improving at this writing.

Wimble Gordon of Avon was a caller here Sunday.

Next Saturday, Saturday night and Sunday morning and night there will be church at Pleasant Hill. Everybody is invited to attend and hear the sermons.

Mrs. Leo Haynes died at her home near here about 3 p. m. last Monday, and was buried Tuesday afternoon at the Mabery cemetery. She leaves a father, husband and three small children to mourn their loss. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. W. E. Coffey.

Noah and Otto Wampler of near here made a business trip to Flat River last Tuesday, returning Wednesday.

Several from Oak Grove were Farmington visitors last Monday.

Noah Counts of near Salem spent Tuesday night with F. T. Harter and family.

Wm. A. Smith of near here is not improving.

J. A. Wampler of Flat River was a visitor at Oak Grove last Tuesday and Wednesday.

The unhappy spectacle of the blind leading the blind may be seen in the palaces as well as the byways of Europe.

VALLE'S MINES

Miss Ethel Rhodes of Bessville visited her brother, Homer Rhodes, a few days last week.

The Ladies' Aid of Valle's Mines met at the church house Thursday. The following were present: Mrs. Jas. Bunt, Mrs. C. R. McClain, Mrs. Tilda Rowe, Mrs. Lucy Turley and Mrs. Lizzie Frazier.

Miss Gustine Busher visited her brother, Fred Busher, at Festus a few days last week.

Miss Mary Ruth Stephens, who has been visiting friends and relatives at Salem, Mo., returned home Thursday evening.

Oliver Sykes was a Bonne Terre visitor Thursday and Friday.

Mrs. Sally Semar, Mrs. James Bunt and Mrs. C. R. McClain and son, Carl Edgar, visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Pete Turley Saturday.

Miss Ethel Rhodes was the guest of Misses Myrtle and Anna Heaton Thursday and Friday.

Charley Busher left for Festus Thursday to seek employment.

Walter Ratty was a Bonne Terre visitor Friday.

Austin Hall of French Village was a Halfway visitor Saturday.

Mrs. Effie Turley and daughter, Edith, visited at the home of Mrs. John Eaton Saturday evening.

Josephine and Kennett Turley visited Blanche and Abbie Heaton Saturday night.

Miss Della Porterfield visited her parents in Bonne Terre Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Richardson visited relatives at Hazel Run Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Edna Harverstick visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charley Harverstick, at DeSoto Saturday and Sunday.

P. Whitesell and Wm. Holmes of Festus visited relatives here Saturday and Sunday.

Everybody is invited to attend church here Sunday morning and Sunday night.

Miss Elsie Heaton visited at the home of Rev. and Mrs. Appleberry Sunday.

John Parker and Geo. Burns of Festus visited friends and relatives here Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Blanche Sykes and Clifton

AVON

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Dainelay and daughters, Beulah and Ella, visited the former's brother, J. T. Dainelay and family last Sunday.

Mrs. August Brown and baby, Roberta, of Minnith visited relatives in and around this place a few days recently.

Herbert Stokely was the guest of friends near Womack Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick of Ledington were guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Smith Sunday.

The electrical storm which this community witnessed last Thursday night, struck J. T. Dainelay's; but fortunately did little damage; also killed a mare which belonged to Andy Bauman.

Willie Ragdale of Route 3 was the guest of his friend, Abram Smith, Saturday night.

L. B. Johnson was a business visitor in this community the latter part of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Wade spent Sunday with Elijah Sebastian and wife.

Mrs. Thomas Halter of Farmington visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Boyd, the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Huffstutler and family spent Sunday with friends at Cold Water.

Mrs. A. J. Gordon is spending a few days with her sister, Miss Oriana Boyd, who is in poor health.

D. F. Strahlman and family of Minnith have moved onto their farm which they recently purchased from Mr. Sebastian of Libertyville.

Miss Anna Meyers spent the latter part of last week with her father, John Meyers, and family.

Abram Smith spent Monday in Farmington at the bed side of his brother, J. L. Smith, who is seriously ill.

The stove factory of near this place, operated by the Pioneer Co. of St. Louis, started running Monday and will continue as long as the weather will permit.

On last Thursday, while D. F. Strahlman was returning home from Minnith, due to the excessive amount of mud, his horse slipped and fell, pinning his right limb under it, where he was forced to stay until his call for help was heard by some men who

FLAT RIVER

Manual Training Building Dedicated.

The dedication of the new Auditorium and Manual Training building took place on Tuesday evening. For the purpose it is a very fine building. The Manual Training room is large and well adapted to its uses. The Auditorium will seat about eight hundred and is an ideal assembly hall. The platform is large enough to give seating to a good sized chorus with room for speakers in addition. There is a waiting room at each side of the platform. It is equipped with footlights and the whole room is beautifully and tastefully lighted with indirect system and finished in dark oak. The acoustics seem to be perfect and it is altogether a complete and beautiful building and meets a long felt want in the town.

The singing by the High School Chorus under the direction of Miss Edith Mitchell was excellent. The following program was given, Supt. J. U. White presiding:

America—High School Chorus. Invocation—Rev. M. H. Markley.

(a) Psalm of Labor (Mendelssohn); (b) Gypsy Song, Roumania Folk Song (Page).

Presentation of Keys—Mr. John McCarthy.

Response—President C. R. Pratt. Report from Mrs. Dr. F. L. Keith.

Pres. Lead Belt Woman's Club. Silent Now the Drowsy Bird (Offenbach)—High School Double Quartet.

Address, "Vocation Education, Missouri's Opportunity"—Dr. J. D. Eliff of the Missouri State University.

Come Where the Lillies Bloom—Girls Glee Club (Thompson).

In her report, Mrs. F. L. Keith announced the gift of about five acres of land adjoining the school premises to be used as play grounds. It is the intention to fully equip these grounds with latest appliances, the Club having already made a contribution to it. The land was given by the Federal and Doe Run Lead Companies.

The exercises were attended by a very large crowd of people who took great interest in the excellent exhibits and the entire program.

The funeral of John David Moody, familiarly known as "J. D.," was held on Monday afternoon at the Taylor Ave. M. E. Church. J. D. had been sick for a week or ten days with appendicitis. He was taken to the National Hospital for an operation, which was performed Thursday. The disease had become general and after making a brave struggle and receiving the best medical skill and nursing, he passed away on Sunday morning at 2 o'clock. He was sixteen years of age and was the oldest son of Mr. and Mrs. David Moody. The funeral was conducted by Rev. Morse H. Markley, pastor, assisted by Rev. H. P. Crowe and Dr. S. W. Stophlet, pastor of the Presbyterian Church.

The family has the sympathy of a large circle of friends, who showed their sympathy by attending the funeral. Mr. and Mrs. Edw. Burns, Mr. and Mrs. Adams of Leadwood, Mr. and Mrs. Williams and family of Fredericktown and a number of other relatives and friends from out of town attended the funeral. The choir, composed of Mrs. Carl Norwine, Miss Thumore, Mrs. D. S. Browne, Mr. and Mrs. Bohrmeyer, accompanied by Mrs. C. R. Bramblett, sang several beautiful selections. The church was decorated with potted plants and there was a profusion of beautiful flowers.

Mrs. J. U. White entertained the Woman's Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church Friday afternoon. The meeting was a very instructive and inspiring one for everyone present. Several guests were present to add to the pleasure of the afternoon. After a very interesting discussion of Missions in China by Mrs. Edward O'Keefe, Mrs. J. U. White read a well prepared paper on "Our South American Continent and Neighbors."

A refreshing lunch was served by the hostess at the conclusion of the meeting. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. S. W. Stophlet.

At a meeting of the teachers and officers of the Presbyterian Sunday School, the following officers were elected: Supt., Mr. D. H. Cameron; Asst. Supt., Clyde Stephens; Sec., Miss Vanness Topping; Asst. Sec., Lillian Schmitt; Treas., Mrs. T. J. Stewart; Supt. of Cradle Roll, Mrs. Claud Bair; Supt. of Primary Dept., Miss Mildred Keith; Asst. Supt., Miss Edith Hammock; Chairman Temperance Work, Mrs. D. H. Cameron; Chairman of Missionary Work, Mrs. S. W. Stophlet.

Quite a number of people from Flat River attended the concert given by the Washington University Glee and Mandolin Club at Farmington on Tuesday evening. Among the number were Mr. and Mrs. H. Tucker, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Arnold, Misses Jean Stophlet, Mildred Keith, Mr. D. M. Dunbar and R. L. Raymond.

The Executive Board of the Woman's Club held a meeting at the home of Mrs. F. L. Keith at River Mines Wednesday afternoon and made plans for the advancement of all the interests of the club.

Misses Irene Goff and Dorothy Keith returned on Monday morning to Lindenwood College at St. Charles, Mo.

Miss Arline Sleeth returned to Godfrey, Ill., Monday morning. She is a 1917, aged 8 days. Funeral took place Monday from the Lutheran at that place. Mrs. Parkhurst Sleeth

accompanied her to St. Louis. Dwight Sutherland and sister, Miss Virginia, of Farmington were in Flat River Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Goff of Desloge were guests of Mr. and Mrs. D. P. Goff and family Sunday.

The Flat River High School basketball ball girls' team won the game from Farmington last Saturday night. It was one of the best games of the season.

Miss Juli Grevay and Mr. Jan Hollo of St. Francois were married at 12:30 last Sunday at the Presbyterian church.

David Kingsland attended the funeral of Mrs. Counts in Farmington Monday afternoon.

Hiram Berry of Malden attended the funeral of J. D. Moody on Monday afternoon.

Dr. F. L. Keith was in Jefferson City Monday attending the inauguration of Gov. F. D. Gardner.

Miss Lucile Chapman of Farmington visited at the home of Mr. John Schmidt in Taylorstown Sunday.

The people of the Christian Church are holding special meetings, the pastor, Rev. Pierson, being assisted by Evangelist Stout.

The Y. P. S. C. E. of the Presbyterian Church held a "Penny Social" in the social room of the church on Thursday evening. It was a very enjoyable affair.

Misses Dorothy Keith and Jean Stophlet were Desloge visitors Saturday afternoon.

H. A. Guess, Supt. of the Guggenheim interests, was in Flat River several days last week.

Work on the new Y. M. C. A. building is progressing very satisfactorily. The sewage pipes have been laid to the river and the materials are all on hand to push the work rapidly forward.

The funeral of Mrs. A. J. Tetley was held on Monday afternoon.

Sybil Tucker, the youngest child of Mr. and Mrs. H. Tucker, who has been quite sick with tonsillitis, is improving.

Miss Marguerite Keith returned to her work in the High School of Grand Junction, Iowa, after spending the holidays with her people at River Mines.

ELVINS

Sam Miller of Flat River was a visitor here Tuesday.

Dewey Smith has been on the sick list the past few days.

Mrs. John Maurer and daughter, Blanche, were in Flat River Wednesday.

Rev. and Mrs. S. A. Bennett were in Flat River Wednesday.

Mrs. Thos. Dean of Flat River was a visitor here Wednesday.

Mrs. Chas. O'Brien is reported among the sick.

E. J. Francis was in Flat River Saturday.

John Allen was in Desloge on business Saturday.

Mrs. T. B. Elliott was in Flat River Saturday.

J. D. Poston spent Sunday in Bonne Terre with home folks.

Mont Hughes is erecting a new residence on West Main street.

James O'Dam and family of St. Louis have moved to the five-room residence on Large street owned by Chas. Large.

Miss Mildred Schek was in Flat River Wednesday.

Dorothy Patterson was in Flat River Tuesday.

Ova Polk of near Bismarck was in this city Wednesday.

Dave Gordon of Bonne Terre was in this city Thursday.

Mrs. Sam Ritter of Leadwood spent the past few days here at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Chas. O'Brien.

Jake Ritter has purchased a fine four-room residence in Maurer addition, from T. B. Buckner.

Miss Rosa Horn, who has been the guest of the Misses Scheks, returned to her home in Bonne Terre Tuesday.

Robert Bilbert was in Flat River Thursday.

Dan Carver and wife of Fredericktown have moved to this city.

D. Haley met with a painful accident a few days ago at the Federal mill. It is reported he has a badly mashed foot.

James Horn is very ill with pneumonia.

Jesse Key is seriously ill.

Mrs. Sam Doss of Desloge spent Wednesday here with her mother.

Dorinda Haley and wife departed Wednesday for St. Louis to spend a few days with relatives.

Wesley Hughes has purchased the four-room residence of Mont Hughes near Fite street.

Ferd Gilling of Flat River transacted business in Elvins Tuesday.

Frank Ritter was in Bonne Terre Tuesday.

Dewey Smith was in Bonne Terre Tuesday.

Elmo Silvey was in Desloge Tuesday.

ROUTE 4

Miss Nora Belle Dillard, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. Dillard, died at her home on Route 4, of pneumonia, January 6, 1917, aged 21 years. Interment at Parkview cemetery last Sunday.

ROUTE NO. 1

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Westmeyer died January 7, 1917, aged 8 days. Funeral took place Monday from the Lutheran at that place. Mrs. Parkhurst Sleeth

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FARMINGTON, MO.

AnBuchon of French Village visited Misses Myrtle and Anna Heaton Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. A. H. Whaley visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Whaley, of near Prospect Sunday.